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Real terror

"There is little question that if nuclear, chemical, or bacteriological weapons were to become available to such governments as those of Libya and Iran, they would be deployed for terrorist operations," the authors of a new study of terrorism assert in a book, "Terrorism as State-sponsored Covert Warfare." The analysis of "surrogate" warfare by Ray S. Cline and Yonah Alexander, of The Center for Strategic and International Studies at Georgetown University, is published by Hero Books.

Terrorism is likely to increase at home and abroad, the authors say, for several reasons. Terrorism is successful in gaining publicity and disrupting government and business. The supplies necessary are readily available. Connections between the various governments involved greatly facilitate terrorism. And, since 80 percent are Marxist-Leninist, terrorists are protected by the Soviet Union and its client states.